

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

113 CHIEGO PLACE
ROSELLE PARK, NEW JERSEY 07204

To all who are tired and need rest; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are friendless and need friendship;
to all who are discouraged and need hope; to all who sin and need a Savior; and to whomsoever will,
THIS CHURCH OPENS WIDE ITS DOOR IN THE NAME OF THE LORD JESUS!



**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 4, 2019**

SERVED BY:

Very Rev. Father James F. Spera, V.F., Pastor
Dean, Union County North

Rev. Father Carmine Rizzi, Priest-in-Residence

Rev. Deacon David J. Farrell, Deacon and
Director of Religious Education

Michael Casa, Elizabeth Santora, Trustees

Donna Schmatz, Organist and Music Coordinator

Virginia Jediny, Parish Secretary

Karen Colucci, Religious Education Coordinator

New members of the Parish are welcome and invited to **REGISTER** by calling the Rectory Office. Please notify the Office when moving away from the Parish. Sponsor certificates for the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation will be signed and sealed for Registered parishioners only. You must be registered for 6 months prior to your request.

EUCCHARIST:

Saturday Evenings: 5:30 pm

Sundays: 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 Noon

Weekdays: Monday - Saturday, 8:00 am

Holy Days of Obligation:

8:00 am and 7:30 pm

Novenas:

St. Jude after the Saturday 8:00 am Mass

St. Anthony, prayers with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, Tuesday, 7:30 pm, September thru June

Confession:

Saturday afternoon from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Weekdays (Monday-Saturday) at 7:30 am before the 8:00 am Mass, or anytime by appointment

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Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart.

— Psalm 90:12

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - August

5:30 PM + August 15, 7:30 PM - Cindy Campbell, Michael Casa, Angela Gravina, John Mattingly

8:00 AM - John Ballantyne, Catherine Cerilles, Elaine McTague, Barbara Sokol

10:30 AM - Juan Allende, Kim Allende, Marlene Polyak, Noelie Degbe

12:00 Noon - Ann Marie Bonassis, Sue Carlstrom, Cathy Chin, Maureen McNulty

LECTORS

August 3/4, 2019

5:30 PM Leona Seufert

8:00 AM Tom DiMaio

10:30 AM Diane Burgos

12 Noon Celeste Michielli

August 10/11, 2019

Gerard Taveras

Debbie Kachnowski

Mattia Leingang

Bob Milici

ALTAR SERVERS

August 3/4, 2019

5:30 PM Joe Schmatz

8:00 AM Angelo Geronimo
Anthony Geronimo

10:30 AM Hanna Lee

12 Noon Samuel Mendoza

August 10/11, 2019

Ivan Sanchez

Sofia Sanchez

Hanna Lee

Felix Leingang



Prayer List: (In alphabetical order) To have someone placed on or removed from the sick list please call the Rectory. We invite you to clip out this section each Sunday. Perhaps you could put it near a prayer book, in your Bible, or in your pocket or purse. It is a good thing when we pray with and for one another. Thank you and God bless you!

Irene Alkiewicz, Kathy Barz, Richard Barz, Fred Boyne, Florence Carosella, Cathy Naccarato DeRoxtra, Ronald Fellner, Bonnie Greer, Joseph Gregory, Cynthia and Thomas Ingman, Thomas Intiso, A.M.J., Baby Janin, Richard Kratson, Ann Losyk, Janet Marino, Eleanor Morehouse, Arthur Muller, Tanina Naccarato, Carol Fellner Nasta, Jeanette Noto, Louis Noto, Monica Quigley O'Brien, Lily Rita Procopio, Roseann Santanna, Maureen Shaw, Frank Sillito, Nancy Sillito, Anthony Spadora, Antonio Spano, Gabrielle Spano, William Szajko, Steven Szajko, Lynn Tumblety, Joanne Vallone, Diana Verderame, Tony Wargacki, Ella Zsampar

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY, August 3: Blessed Virgin Mary:

First Saturday

8:00 AM Angelo Jannuzzi
(From: Sister Dottie)

5:30 PM Corporate Mass
(See List)

SUNDAY, August 4: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM For the Parishioners

10:30 AM Erminio DiNardo
(From: Wife, Josefina)

12:00 Noon Frank Signorello
(From: Joe & Family)

MONDAY, August 5: Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome

8:00 AM Lupo & Giuseppina Macolino
(From: Nancy & Umberto Vaccarella)

TUESDAY, August 6: The Transfiguration of the Lord

8:00 AM Constance Hagman
(Love, Linda)

WEDNESDAY, August 7: St. Sixtus II and Companions; St. Cajetan

8:00 AM Ralph & Larry Martino
(From: Mother & Wife, Elizabeth)

THURSDAY, August 8: St. Dominic

8:00 AM Joseph Yandrusak
(From: Casimir Muroski)

FRIDAY, August 9: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

8:00 AM Intentions of Prinzi Family
(From: Joseph Accardi)

SATURDAY, August 10: St. Lawrence

8:00 AM Pauline Spera
(From: Ginny Mascitelli)

5:30 PM Violet Campbell
(Love, Cindy)

SUNDAY, August 11: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Ted Stecki
(From: Wife and Family)

10:30 AM For the Parishioners
12:00 Noon Caterina Naccarato & Vincenzo J. Naccarato (10 year Anniversary)
(From: Tanina, Children & Grandchildren)

If the intention for the Sunday Mass has been reserved by you or your family, please notify an usher so that you may present the gifts at the Offertory of the Mass.



August 6 is the Commemoration of the Transfiguration of the Lord Jesus on Mount Tabor. It is not a Holy Day of Obligation but it is one of the principle Feasts of the Church and an event in the life of Jesus as recorded in the Gospel worthy of our attention. The basic facts are clear enough. Jesus took Peter, James, and John up on a mountain, where Jesus' appearance changed as he became "dazzling white" (9:3). "Then Elijah and Moses appeared and began talking with Jesus" (9:4). Unfortunately, Mark does not tell us what they talked about. But we do get to see the sweetly confused Peter, who offered to make shelters for Jesus, Moses, and Elijah (9:5-6). Mark adds that Peter made this offer because "he did not really know what else to say" (9:6). Then, a voice from heaven identified Jesus as "my dearly loved Son" (9:7), after which Moses and Elijah disappeared.

This scene, shrouded in mystery, reveals something of the divine nature of Jesus. He was certainly much more than a human messiah! But the presence of Moses and Elijah also reminds us of something that is **crucially important about Jesus**, and sometimes overlooked or even denied by Christians. Here it is. **We will only rightly understand Jesus in light of the Old Testament.** The Old Testament law, represented by Moses, and the Old Testament prophecies, represented by Elijah, point to and are fulfilled in Jesus. They help us to understand Him, to honor Him, to receive His salvation, and to live as his disciples.

To be sure, sometimes the Old Testament is hard to fathom. It contains passages that stun our sensibilities and texts that baffle our minds. Yet we must never decide to ignore or denigrate the Old Testament because, among other things, it helps us to know Jesus. All of the familiar titles for Jesus, for example, cannot be grasped apart from the Old Testament, including: Messiah/Christ, Son of Man, Savior, Son of God, and Lord. May this Feast help us to appreciate the profound importance of the Old Testament Scriptures that we may listen carefully and come to know more intimately the Lord Jesus.

Fr. Jim

MOVING? Keeping parish records is a continuous process. Will you help us? If you plan to move over these summer months, whether you will be remaining parishioners (staying in our area) or moving out of the area entirely, please call the Parish Office (908-245-1107) and let us know so that we can maintain updated records.

New families are WELCOME and invited to register.

Additional pavers are still available! The next order will be submitted October 1, 2019. There are pavers available before the Sacred Heart, St. Anthony, and bell Shrines. Please obtain an Adopt-a-brick Form from our web site, at the entrance of Church and from the Rectory Office.

IS YOUR MARRIAGE VALID?

If you were married civilly, that is not in the Catholic Church before a priest or deacon, it might not be a valid marriage. Some couples believe that a marriage before a Justice of the Peace or a non-Catholic minister is valid. For a marriage to be valid in the Catholic Church, the marriage must be in a Catholic Church or Chapel and officiated by an authorized Catholic priest or deacon along with 2 witnesses. (There are limited interfaith exceptions with proper permission.) We invite you to speak with one of our priests if there are any questions or if indeed you wish to validate your marriage. The process can be very simple and your marriage will now be blessed by the Church.

An **"Entering Canaan" retreat** for those who are suffering as a result of losing a sibling to abortion will take place August 16 -18, in Stirling, New Jersey. The retreat will be hosted by Lumina and The Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. There is no cost for this retreat and assistance is given in relation to transportation for those who may need it. For further information and confidential reservations please call: Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina/Hope & Healing after abortion: 1-877-586-4621, or email at Lumina@postabortionhelp.org.

Fall Bereavement Ministry Training

Do you feel called to serve the needs of the Bereaved here at Assumption? The Fall Bereavement Ministry Support Training program is now open for registration. The course is offered by the Office of Family Life Ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark. The eight 2.5 hour sessions begin at the end of September and continues into November. Two separate classes are being held on Saturday mornings & Tuesday mornings at the Archdiocesan Center. For class registration and additional information please contact Deacon Dave at 908-245-6572 or email assumptionschool1113@gmail.com. Pre-registration is required and class size is limited. Participants must meet the requirements of the Safe Environment Program.

Deacon Dave

SOLITUDE - Settle yourself in solitude, and you will come upon God in yourself. -St. Teresa

You may have noticed that some of our Parishioners choose to kneel when receiving Holy Communion. This is an Ancient and venerable act of devotion and the option has always remained.

Pope Benedict XVI encouraged a return to this practice at the Masses he offered at St. Peter's Basilica during his Pastoral Ministry. To accommodate those who wish to kneel for the reception of Holy Communion we will place kneeling pads at the Altar Rail near the open space on both sides beginning next weekend. If anyone kneels at the Altar Rail on these pads, the Priest will come to you.

SPECIAL DONATIONS

To make a Special Donation for Hosts, Wine, Candles, Sanctuary Candles or Tabernacle Flowers, please use the Special Donation Envelopes found at the doors of the Church.

In Loving Memory of Nancy Commerato

Requested by Lois Camasta

Donation of Wine & Hosts

In Loving Memory of Esther Nardi

Requested by Love Granddaughter, Jillian & Family

Donation of Wine, Hosts, Candles, Sanctuary Candle and Tabernacle Flowers

In Loving Memory of Leonard Molinari (Happy Birthday!)

Requested by Sister, Helen and Niece, Maria

Donation of Hosts

Mary's Grotto

REMINDER: Next weekend (Aug. 10/11), we will have our usual Mary's Grotto Church Sale. We will be showing some new arrivals-well worth the Stop and Shop or Have a Look. Looking forward to seeing our old friends and hopefully some new - pass the word. Thank you!

By the way, early reminder. August 15, is the Feast of the Assumption of Mary into Heaven and we have a beautiful statue of Mary. Look for it at our sale next weekend.

Ladies of the Rosary Society, Church of the Assumption

St. Michael's School Book Drive:

St. Michael's School in Cranford is collecting books for an upcoming Used Book Sale this Fall! Gently used books of all types: fiction, non-fiction and children's books (please no reference books, text books, encyclopedias or magazines). Please look for collection bins at the doors of Church. Need to arrange a pick-up or drop off for larger donations? Please contact Terri Hunsinger at: SMSUsedBookSale@gmail.com or (908) 272-7535.

Corporate Mass, Saturday, 5:30 PM, August 3, 2019**Deceased**

Nettie Bianca

Lena Cacia

Eva Canova

Joseph E. Colucci, III

Isabel De Garzon

Salvatore Finocchiaro

Richard Huxford

Virginia Lucas

Bridget Milewski

Billy Mitchell

Maria Scalisi

Nunzio Scalisi

Pauline Spera

John Vitorino

Elizabeth "Betty" Wojcik

Requested by

Loretta Raczynski

The Tumblety, Surhoff, Blasi and Capone Families

The Huxford Family

Candice Slevin

Daughter, Mayda Sanchez

Daughter, Maria & Family

The Huxford Family

Mary's Grotto

Daughter, Maria & Family

Daughter, Maria & Family

Nora DeNike

The Scalisi Family

Loretta Raczynski

**Join Us as We
Dine Out to Donate**

495 Chestnut Street in Union, NJ 07083

Throughout the Month of August

For Lunch or Dinner

From 11:30am - Closing

Please present the flyer to your server to ensure a portion of your bill will be donated back to Church of the Assumption.

NO ONE'S ENEMY

May I be no one's enemy, and may I be the friend of that which is eternal and abides
-St. Eusebius of Vercelli



St. Michael School located at 100 Alden Street in Cranford, celebrating over 90 years of academic excellence, is a faith-based environment focused on the spiritual, personal, and academic formation of all students. The Early Childhood program offers Pre K3 & Pre K4 (Full & Half Day) and Full Day academically based Kindergarten. Primary, elementary, and middle school curriculums prepare students for success in high school and beyond. The controlled class size and average 16:1 student-teacher ratio ensures a focused academic environment. Before and after care programs are available daily on site. St. Michael School is a member of the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA) and accredited by the Middle States Association Commission on Elementary Schools. Registrations for the 2019-2020 academic year are now being accepted. Limited spots are available in all grades. If you'd like to learn more about St. Michael School and all we have to offer, please call the school's office (908) 276-9425 to schedule a tour.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Weekly Collection for July 27/28 **\$5,287.00**

Thank you for your generosity!

THE EFFECTS OF PRAYER

Whoever prays much by night, that person's face is fair by day.
-Islamic saying

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

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**Knight's Corner (Council #3240)**

The Knights of Columbus (Council #3240) of the Church of the Assumption would like to invite any interested Parish men, that wish to learn more about the Knights of Columbus to fill out one of the cards located in the front of the Church and place it in the collection basket. The Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus is currently conducting a membership drive. Please be sure to "like" our Facebook page: Knights of Columbus - Msgr. Loreti Council #3240

**ACCOUNTABILITY
WITH HEARTFELT THANKS**

Catholic Charities received \$5,190 as a result of your generosity to the donation bins from December 1st, 2018 to May 31st, 2019. These funds combined with monies from other participating parishes throughout the Archdiocese alleviated the sufferings of the needy who sought relief through the many operations of Catholic Charities. Our food program alone distributed 232,564 pounds of food to 40,150 households (FY 2018).

Thank you for being our partner and enabling us to bring Christ's love to the most vulnerable in our society.

Are those angels?

The inspiration for the "Seraphim Angels" on either side of the crucifix in the Sanctuary has been taken from the Old Testament Book of Isaiah 6:1-3; "I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of His robe filled the temple. Above Him stood the Seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, Holy, Holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory". This image of the Seraphim is the most ancient Biblical representation of the "bodiless angelic powers" who stand before the face of God. The Hebrew letters which softly emanate from the Seraphim spell "kadosh, kadosh, kadosh"; translated as "Holy, Holy, Holy". May this Seraphic image inspire us to be holy before the Lord.

The Rectory and Religious Education Offices will be closed on Fridays during the summer months. The Rectory and Religious Education Offices are open through the summer Monday through Thursday from 9:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. For an emergency please call the Rectory at 908-245-1107 for forwarding information.

Come Share Your Faith as a Catechist – Ever wondered what the catechetical ministry is all about? The requirements are simple: a love for God, love for our Catholic faith, and a willingness to spread the news of Jesus Christ. Please contact the Religious Education Office to set an appointment to receive all the information you need. One of the most rewarding things you can do is share your faith with the youth of our parish in our Religious Education Program. When we share our faith, we grow in faith!

Registration for New Students – Our registration for the 2019 -2020 school year is now completely filled for Sunday classes. We have classroom availability for grades 1,3,4,5, and 6 on Tuesdays from 3:45 to 5:00 p.m. or we offer a homeschooling option for these grades as well.

Contact the Religious Education Office at 908-245-6572 for additional information.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a process for non-baptized individuals and for non-Catholic Christians to learn more about the Catholic faith and discern full communion with the Catholic Church. The RCIA process is also for baptized adult Catholics to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation. It is a period of inquiry and learning about various aspects of the Catholic faith tradition. We invite anyone who wishes to find out more about the process to contact the Director of Religious Education at 908-245-6572 or e-mail assumptionschool113@gmail.com.

"If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other."

~Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Please Save the Dates

Next year we will celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Feast of St. Anthony. Please be sure to save the dates:

Thurs., 6/4/20	6-10 p.m.
Fri., 6/5/20	6-11 p.m.
Sat., 6/6/20	6-11 p.m.
Sun., 6/7/20	6-10 p.m.